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AND
ALEXANDRIA GAZETTE.

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VENDUE.

ON TUESDAY and FRIDAY, in every week, at 10 o'clock in the morning, will be expoſed for ſale at the Vendue Store (corner of Prince and Water ſtreets)

A VARIETY OF

WET & DRY GOODS.

Of which the particulars will be given previous to the ſale.

The VENDUE MASTERS will always keep the Store open for the reception of GOODS, and ſelling of ſuch articles therein between the times of public ſales as may be on limitation. They likewiſe offer their ſervices in tranſacting any kind of Commiſſion Buſineſs.

MARSTELLER & SONS.

April 5th, 1796.

PUBLIC SALE.

On WEDNESDAY the 9th November, will be ſold at Public Vendue, on the premiſes,

A Lot of Ground on Water Street, containining 60 feet in front, and 123 feet 5 inches in depth, on which is a brick houſe, with other improvements.

The conditions will be made known on the day of ſale by

Wm. WILSON,
ROGER COLLART.

October 20.

Robert Hamilton,

HAVING admitted his Brother JAMES HAMILTON into Partnerſhip on the firſt of this month, acquaints his friends and the Public, that the Buſineſs will in future be conducted under the firm of

ROBERT & JAMES HAMILTON.

N. B. A few eligible building Lots for ſale, adjoining the dwelling houſe of

ROBERT HAMILTON.

Antigua Rum & Muſcovado Sugars,

London particular Madeira Wine, in pipes, hogſheads, and quarter caſks, warranted 5 yeaes old, and of a very ſuperior quality,

Rice in hogſheads and tierces,

Fifty barrels prime New-York Pork,

James River Coal,

FOR SALE BY

ROB. & JAS. HAMILTON.

Sept. 17. eptf.

GEORGE DRINKER and SAMUEL STANSBURY having entered into partnerſhip under the firm of

Drinker and Stanſbury,

In the ſtore formerly occupied by George Drinker, have now opened a general aſſortment of Ironmongery, Cutlery and Braſs Wares, Caſtings, &c.

White Lead Ground in Oil
Spaniſh Brown do. do.
Yellow Ochre do. do.

Red lead; Pruſſian blue; patent yellow; vermilion; verdigriſe; chalk; whiting and putty; 7-8, 8-10, 9-11 and 10-12 window glaſs; powder and ſhot; copal and common varniſh; ſpirits of turpentine; hatten trimmings; aqua fortis; quick ſilver; logwood and glue; white ſoap; mould and dipp'd candles; ſlates; bruſhes; corks; &c. &c.

ALSO,

A ſmall aſſortment of DRY GOODS wholeſale, conſiſting of cloths, caſſimers muſlins, bobery, modes, nankeens, ribbons &c. July 14.

Flour Store.

THOMAS PETERKIN will Store Flour for any length of time, at ſixpence per barrel, in the warehouſe lately occupied by James M. M'Rea and Co. adjoining Meſſrs. Shreve and Lawraſon.

Oct. 19. eptf.

Samuel Craig

HAS received by the late arrivals from England, his fall ſupply of GOODS, which he is now opening for ſale.

Oct. 19. 2w.

For Charter,

THE BRIG

Virginia,

Burthen 300 hhds. of tobacco.—For terms apply to

SHREVE & LAWRASON.

Who have for ſale—Queen's ware in crates, well aſſorted; glaſs ware; double Glouceſter cheeſe in hampers; Liverpool ſalt in ſacks and looſe; pipes in boxes; pearl barley in kegs; barr lead; candles by the box.

Oct. 18. tf.

CAPT. CROWDHILL,

OF THE SHIP SALLY,

JUST ARRIVED FROM WHITEHAVEN, AND NOW LYING AT ADAMS'S WHARF,

HAS FOR SALE ON BOARD,

A QUANTITY OF

EARTHENWARE,

In Crates, well aſſorted, together with a ſmall aſſortment of

CUT & PLAIN FLINT GLASS,

Superfine Muſtard by the box, high and low priced boxes of HARDWARE, well aſſorted for country ſtores, garden, ditching, and ballaſt ſpades, 8d, and 10d. nails, pump tacks and ſcupper nails, large and ſmall ſpikes. Alſo, a caſk of Ship's Chandlery, well aſſorted, low priced hats in caſes, do. do. woolens, calicoes, chintzes, ſwandown, caſſimeres, checks, &c. all of which will be ſold low for caſh.

October 25.

Macleod & Lumſdon,

BEG Leave to inform their friends and the public in general, that they have imported in the ſnow Nancy from New-Caſtle, a large aſſortment of ENGLISH CROWN GLASS of a ſuperior quality, which enables them to glaze pictures and windows of all ſizes from 36 inches by 26 inches down to 10 by 8 on moderate terms. Good allowance to thoſe who take a quantity. Likewiſe, ſundry crates of well aſſorted EARTHEN WARE, with ſome Black and Brown Ware, conſiſting of baking diſhes, covered jars, milk mugs, &c. &c. As alſo, an elegant aſſortment of beſt FLINT GLASS, conſiſting of decanters, goblets, jelly and wine glaſſes, &c. which they will ſell wholeſale on moderate terms.

N. B. Painting, gilding, and glazing in all its various branches. Walls of rooms &c. ſtained & painted any colour, in a new ſtile. An apprentice wanted of good morals.

October 22. eptw

HORWELL & Co.

LATELY ARRIVED IN ALEXANDRIA.

Now living two doors below Mr. Peter Wiſe's.

MAKES all kinds of STAYS, French, Engliſh, Italian, and riding ſtays, corſet, nurſing ſtays, &c &c. Their work and goods will not be inferior to any, having had great experience in the buſineſs.

Whoever will oblige them with their orders, may depend on having them well executed with neatneſs and diſpatch in the moſt faſhionable manner.

N. B. Makes monitors for young ladies, far preferable to backboards. Stays from 3 to 10 dollars per pair.

October 22.

For Sale,

ABOUT 800 acres of good farming Land in Fairfax County, ſituate about 12 miles from Alexandria, and the ſame diſtance from George-town & the Federal City. It has been laid off into tenements from 100 to 200 acres, all of which are in very good repair, having commodious dwelling houſes, barns, orchards, &c. on it.—The tenants now on it are chiefly tenants at will. I will ſell this land either in ſmall parcels or altogether, as may beſt ſuit the purchaſer; Further particulars are thought unneceſſary, as it is preſumed that any one diſpoſed to purchaſe will wiſh to ſee the land.

MORDECAI C. FITZHUGH.

Ravenſworth, Oct. 6. 3wiw.

Blank Manifeſts for ſale at this Office.

IRISH LINENS.

THE ſubſcriber having received by the ſhip Polly and Nancy from Liverpool a few boxes 4 4 and 7 8 LINEN, and a few pieces CAMBRICK, which he has opened at Mr. Alex. Mackenzie's ſtore in Prince-ſtreet, will ſell them low for Caſh or a ſhort Credit.

FRANCIS M'CLURE.

October 22. tf.

FOR SALE,

A FEW DINING SETS OF ELEGANT

NANKEEN CHINA,

conſiſting of 188 pieces each.

Liverpool and Cadiz ſalt in bulk; and ſalt in ſacks—

100 quarter cheſts Teas of different kinds—

60 puncheons Jamaica, W. Illandand continental Rum—

Madeira, Sherry, Liſbon, Teneriffe, Malaga, Corſica and Port Wines, in hhds. pipes and quarter caſks—

French brandy, Holland gin, London bottled porter—

Loaf ſugar in barrels, Muſcovado ſugars—

Coffee—

Cotton in bags.

Rice, indigo, fig blue, copperas, madder, roſin, beſt muſtard in bottles, pepper, pimento, nutmegs, mace, cloves, caſſia, capers, olives in bottles and jars, anchovies in jugs.

Soal leather of the beſt quality—Salt-petre, refined and crude—white and brown ſoap, dipped and mould candles of Philadelphia manufacture—race and ground ginger—Leiper's ſnuff of different qualities in bladders and bottles.

Alſo, one box of 7-8 and one do. 4-4 Iriſh linen, well aſſorted.

MANDEVILLE & JAMESSON.

October 19. tf

FOR SALE BY THE SUBSCRIBER,

At his ſtore on Harper's Wharf,

French Brandy in Pipes or barrels; Jamaica ſpirits in hhds. or bbls. ſeveral hundred gallons New England rum; whiſkey in tierces and barrels; claret wine in tierces; excellent port wine in pipes or ſmaller quantities; Malaga and Liſbon wines in pipes or quarter caſks; hyſon, hyſon ſkin and other teas; loaf ſugar by the barrel or loaf; moiſt do. of different qualities, by the hhd. or barrel; St. Ube's ſalt, any quantity above 8 buſhels at 4/8 per do. under, 4/6; Liverpool ſalt in bags as imported at 22s. per ſack; do. by the buſhel 4/6; excellent cured herrings at five dollars per barrel. Purchaſers, by applying, will find it to their advantage, as I am determined to ſell on reaſonable terms.

ROBERT HENDERSON.

JOSIAH CORYTON,

CLOCK & WATCH-MAKER,

TAKES the earlieſt opportunity of informing his friends and the public in general that he has removed his ſhop from Fairfax Street to Royal Street, two doors north of Prince Street, where he hopes for a continuance of thoſe favours already ſo liberally beſtowed.

Juſt opened, and for Sale, a neat aſſortment of FANCY ARTICLES; ſuch as Ladies' Steel and gilt Watch-Chains, Gentlemen's do. Seals, Keys, Necklaces, Fancy Watch-Strings, Lockets, Pins, &c.

N. B. Gilding, Silvering and Lacquering neatly executed.

☞ The Store, formerly occupied by him is to let.

Alexandria, September 30, 1796.

Contracts for Cut-Stone.

SUCH Stone cutters as chooſe to contract for cut-ſtone, wanted for the Locks at the Great Falls, may by application to me at the City of Waſhington, or at the Great-Falls of Potomack, know the ſcantling as alſo the terms of contract.

N. B. A bond and ſhifter is prepared for the inſpection of any perſon diſpoſed to give in proposals.

C. MYERS,
Engineer to the Potomack Company.

City of Waſhington, April 19.

FALL GOODS.

Joſeph Riddle & Co.

HAVE IMPORTED

In the ſhip Henry from London, the ſhips Two Siſters, the Maria Margaretta, the Catharine, and the Virginia, from Liverpool,

A VERY GENERAL ASSORTMENT OF

PIECE GOODS, & HARDWARE,

Alſo, Pewter, Steel, Nails, Lead, & Shot, Porter and Cheeſe, Allum, Madder, and Copperas, Seine and Sewing Twine, and Queen's Ware in Crates, well aſſorted, which they offer for ſale at their Warehouſe on Swift's alley, oppoſite Patton and Butcher's Store.

October 27.

JOHN MYERS & CO.

AT THE

ALEXANDRIA BOTTLING CELLAR,

UNION STREET,

Are conſtantly ſupplied with

FIRST QUALITY PHILADELPHIA PORTER & BEER.

Merchants, Captains of Veſſels, and others, may be ſupplied on the ſhorteſt notice. They will uſe every exertion in their power to execute commands with punctuality, and preſume they will be enabled to give general ſatisfaction.

N. B. The higheſt price given for empty bottles.

October 27.

PHILIP WANTON,

RESPECTFULLY informs that he has removed his Merchandize to his Store lately occupied by Janney & Iriſh, in Prince Street, near Ricketts and Newton's new buildings, where he is opening an extenſive aſſortment of HARDWARE, juſt received from Europe, and ſelected from ſeveral importations.

A few tons of Pot metal well aſſorted,
A quantity of 56's and ſmaller weights,
Soal Leather,
Excellent Indigo and Dye Stuffs.
Clover and Timothy ſeed.

N. B. Having convenient room, intend ſtorage of Flour, and receiving other Merchandize for ſale upon commiſſion.

Caſh given for flax ſeed, white beans, bees wax, and various other kinds of produce.

October 27.

Stores to be let, &c.

SUNDRY Stores to be let, ſuitable for the ſtoring of Weſt India produce, flour, &c. ſituate in the neighbourhood of the Union Brew-Houſe, by the ſubſcriber, who will contract for any quantity of good clean Barley, weighing 45lb. per buſhel, not to exceed twelve thouſand buſhels, all over weight to be paid for extra.—Enquire at his Dry Good Store, in King Street, near Royal Street, No. 3, where he has for ſale, a large and general aſſortment of Merchandiſe, among which are of the beſt

Superfine Broad-cloths and Caſſimeres,
Iriſh Linens, Muſlins, &c. &c.

All of which he will diſpoſe of on the moſt reaſonable terms.

ROBERT SMOCK.

Sept. 8. eptf.

ALEXANDER SMITH

RESPECTFULLY informs the Citizens of Alexandria, and its vicinity, that he has ſelected and intends to have always for ſale, the beſt FLOUR for family uſe.—He alſo begs leave to inform the Public that he has on hand an extenſive aſſortment of BOULTING CLOTHS, warranted to be of the firſt quality, and will be ſold at the moſt reduced prices for caſh, at his Warehouſe on Union ſtreet.

Sept. 15.

LANDING,

AT HARPER'S WHARF,

From the Schooner Nancy, David Mc Coggeſhall, Maſter,

27 Hogſheads Molaſſes,
2 Hogſheads Rum,
45 Hogſheads Sugar,
10,000 lbs. Cheeſe.

FOR SALE BY

Oct. 20. JOHN G. LADD.

The Columbian Mirror
AND
ALEXANDRIA GAZETTE.

MR. PRICE,

THE publication in your last paper, under the signature of "FIRMNESS," will, I trust, excuse and justify my request to you, to publish the following authenticated Copy of a Letter from General WASHINGTON, and also, one from me to Congress.

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Head-Quarters, West-Point,
August 19, 1779.

SIR,

I had the honor, to day, to receive your letter of the 8th, by Lieut. Col. Simms, of the 2d. Virginia regiment, with a copy of a letter from him to your Excellency, and of an order of Congress on the 7th, in consequence.

The indulgence requested by Col. Simms, however interesting it may be to himself, appears to me so incompatible with the public service, and to involve and to lead to so many disagreeable consequences, that I have thought it my duty to refuse it. Were the point to rest with him, from the circumstances of his regiment in respect to field-officers, his request might be granted without any material injury; but this cannot be expected, as there are many other officers in the same line, who have the same pretensions. And indeed it is difficult if not impossible for me to determine with precision where such applications would stop, as they might be made upon the same principles, and with as much propriety, by every officer and soldier in the army. Those who have not already surveyed lands, or done some act to acquire a title of ownership, may urge, if they incline so to do, that it is time they should, and insist that they will not neglect the opportunity longer. I have very fully and explicitly pointed out to Col. Simms the probable, or at least the possible consequences which would flow from a compliance with his request; but he says he cannot decline it, and waits on Congress to resign his commission, which I refused to accept. In justice to Lieut. Col. Simms, I must observe that he is a brave, intelligent, and good officer, and I am sorry that any circumstances should have arisen in his affairs to compel him either to resign his commission or to make a request so inconsistent with the public interest.

I have the honor to be,
With the greatest esteem and respect,
Your Excellency's
Most obedient Servant,
GEO: WASHINGTON.

His Excellency John Jay, Esq.

A true copy from the original,
THO. EDISON,
Assist. Sec. Office Cong.

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Philadelphia, Sept. 2, 1779.

SIR,

On my application to Congress, some time past, for leave of absence, they were pleased to refer me to his Excellency General Washington.

The General, for some particular reasons, did not think proper to grant the indulgence I requested, nor would he accept of my resignation; but referred me to Congress. As the matter now rests wholly with them, I must beg leave to point out more particularly the necessity I am under of being absent from the army, than I did in my first letter.

In the year 1775, I became a purchaser, under Col. Croghan, of between three and four thousand acres of land in the neighbourhood of Fort-Pitt, being part of a tract he purchased from the Indians upwards of thirty years ago.

It was my intention, when I made the purchase, to settle and improve the lands, which, under the laws of Virginia, would have saved them; but was prevented from doing so, by entering into the continental service in 1776.

The Assembly of Virginia, at their last session, determined all titles to lands derived from Indians to be void. Yet, Sir, I have reason to think, if I attend at their next session, which is the first Monday in October next, I can obtain from them a confirmation of my title to the above-mentioned lands; for I cannot suppose they will suffer me to lose so considerable a part of my property, by devoting my time and services to the public, when they have it in their power to redress me. I must beg leave to suggest to you, that there is a large proportion of officers to the number of men in the Virginia line; and that there are now present with the regiment I belong to, as it stands incorporated with others, one colonel and two majors, so that it is hardly probable that the regiment will suffer by my absence: and I think it must appear fully evident to every person, that, unless I attend to my own business this Fall I must lose considerably; which consideration will, I make no doubt, justify me in the opinion of all reasonable men, for requesting leave of absence at this juncture. His Excellency conceiving a number of officers to be in the same predicament with myself, was the reason of his not granting me leave of absence. I cannot help observing, that there are very few, if any, whose circumstances so urgently require their immediate attention to their private business as mine do; and if there are any, (if I may be allowed to judge from my own feelings) they will be reduced to the necessity of resigning their commissions, unless they obtain leave of absence; and I leave you to determine, whether it is not better to part with officers for a short time than altogether.

Permit me to assure you, Sir, that it is with the greatest reluctance I trouble the Honourable Congress with a matter that concerns me only as an individual, and that I shall cheerfully acquiesce in their determination respecting me. If I am reduced to the disagreeable necessity of leaving the army, I shall do it with the consciousness of having served my country to the utmost of my abilities as long as I possibly could without involving myself and family in ruin and distress.

I am, Sir,
With the most sincere esteem
and respect,
Your obedient Humble Servant,
CHAS. SIMMS.

His Excellency John Jay, Esq.

A true copy from the original,
THO. EDISON,
Assist. Sec. Office Cong.

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I shall only observe, that at the time of my resignation, more than half of the officers of the Virginia line, were become supernumerary, in consequence of the great diminution of soldiers in that line—and that the circumstances of my family made me prefer a resignation of my commission, to retaining it in that situation of the army.

CH: SIMMS.

Oct. 27, 1796.

To the dissenting Churches in Fairfax, Prince-William and Stafford.

FELLOW-CITIZENS,

There never was a more full refutation of erroneous charges, than of those which have been so openly and unjustly exhibited against the character of Mr. Jefferson—like an attack with wooden guns, they have injured none but those, or the friend of those, who had ventured to discharge them. Another charge of a different nature has also been propagated against Mr. Jefferson, by one of our candidates for the high office of an elector—this is an attack on his religious tenets—hoping thereby to promote the interest of Mr. Adams, at the expence of Mr. Jefferson. What is this but retreating to the magazine of the established church, to draw from thence their force against your friend, and your religious liberties—this charge, however, has been conducted in a more private and insinuating manner, than the others—and this too, will assuredly operate in favour of the person it was intended to criminate—this attack has its foundation in a bill which was brought before the Virginia Assembly in the year 1785, and then enacted into a law, on principles so wise, so just and reasonable, that instead of wounding, it will immortalize the name of Jefferson. Citizens, read this law; you will find it expressed in terms of the most profound reverence for the great Majesty of Heaven; you will find it in words of justice and reason; it is the language of a true republican, the language of liberty and equality; they are words of pleasantness; take them into your bosom, cherish them in your hearts, all you republicans who know the infinite value of civil and religious liberty—I say civil and religious liberty; let this be our theme, may this be our family pride—may it never be contaminated by regal power, limited monarchy, gaudy distinctions, the gentry, the rich, the well born; such a glittering trail would be no real ornament to a young republic. Having virtue with talents or industry, all are well born in America. Politics have nothing to do with religion—keep them apart, keep them separate; true religion can exist without legislative support or assistance; and false religion cannot deserve it.—Call to mind your former grievances, while compelled to submit to these impositions, under your allegiance to the British King—deprived of your natural, your dearest rights, you were unjustly compelled to contribute to the support of preachers whom your conscience could not approve. Jefferson was the instrument of your relief from this oppression—Will you, then, be ungrateful?——I know you will not—I know you cannot. I have not a doubt but that the individuals of each Dissenting Church will pay due regard to the seventh day of next month—that they will on that day cheerfully come forward, and pay to their friend and their benefactor, an earnest of their gratitude and esteem—His superior talents are universally admired, and his republicanism unquestionable. That you may continue to preserve and enjoy your native, your special privilege of judging for yourselves, respectively, in matters of religion, is the most fervent wish of

A DISSENTER
FROM THE ESTABLISHED CHURCH.

MADAME DE LA FAYETTE.

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Madame de la Fayette, who, besides the respect which is always due to misfortune, may claim that which an assemblage of every domestic virtue commands, has just experienced from the emperor a new instance of cruelty, which cannot fail of inspiring the most callous heart with indignation. Her daughters health and her own having materially suffered from the pestilential air of the dungeon of Olmutz, where, according to Mr. Fox's expression, "these living victims are intered," she solicited for three months incessantly the indulgence of being allowed to write to the emperor to obtain his majesty's permission to go with her daughters to Vienna for a few days in order to procure medical advice. After a considerable time the brutal commandant ordered the prison doors to be opened, and having locked up the young ladies in a seperate dungeon, he signified to their mother, who remained alone with him, that his Imperial majesty had been pleased to determine that on no consideration whatever should she go to Vienna, but that she might quit the prison on condition of never returning to it. He required a written answer for the emperor's perusal, which was given as follows:

LETTER
OF
MADAME DE LA FAYETTE.

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"The commandant of Olmutz informed me yesterday, that, in answer to my request of being allowed to go for eight days to Vienna for the purpose of consulting the faculty, his imperial majesty signified that on no consideration whatever I am to be permitted to visit that capital, and that he will consent to my quitting this prison, only on condition of never entering it more.

I have the honor to reiterate the answer which I made to the commandant. To solicit the assistance which the state of my health requires, is a duty which I owed my family and my friends; but they are sensible that it is not possible for me to purchase it at the price at which it is offered. I cannot forget that while we were both on the point of perishing—me, by the tyranny of Robespierre—M. de la Fayette, by the moral and physical sufferings of his captivity, that I was not allowed to obtain any account of him or to inform him, that his children and myself were yet in existence; and nothing shall tempt me to expose myself a second time to the horrors of such a seperation —Whatever then may be the state of my health, or the inconveniences which may result to myself and my daughters from this habitation, we will all three avail ourselves with gratitude of the *goodness* of his Imperial majesty, who permits us to share this captivity in all its details."

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We know not what effect this letter may have on the obdurate courtier, who has sacrificed all genuine feeling on the shrine of etiquette, and who shapes even his emotions, as he does his coat, from the fashion of the day, but to sensibility or unsophisticated nature, it will give a strong and lasting shock. How impotent seems the power of despotism when opposed to the constancy of female virtue! This exalted woman displays an heroism worthy of the best time in Rome, and of its purest matrons; and however statesmen and cabinets may stifle the impression that the dignity of her suffering must inwardly awaken in their hearts we have no doubt that the gallantry of the French people will be roused in her vindication, and that the imperious voice of the Directory will give freedom to the objects of her tenderness and her courage.

A French paper relates the following anecdote:—Few people now remember, that on the 2d of March, 1784, the famous Aeronaut, Blanchard, drew an immense concourse of people to the *Camp de Mars*, in Paris, to see him ascend in a balloon.—Every thing was prepared at twelve o'clock, Blanchard was about to get into the boat, when a young scholar of the military school rushed forward with his sword in his hand, with an intention of ascending with him; Blanchard would not consent, but neither his intreaties, nor the exclamation of the croud, whose curiosity was delayed by this circumstance, could induce the young man to give up his design.—A person went to inform the Governor of the military school, who immediately ordered him to descend from the balloon, which he refused, and even attempted to cut the cord with his sword, but was prevented. The *ci-devant* Marquis de Valerie seized him, and dragged him out of the balloon.—In spite of the delay which his obstinacy caused to the public, his courage and enthusiasm excited admiration. This event caused much conversation at Paris; it was forgot, because every thing is forgotten in time. Do you know, citizens, who this young adventurer was, who shewed so much courage?—It was Buonaparte. This trait calls to mind the childhood of Alcibiades.—It frequently happens, that in the infancy of great men, presages are given of their future glory.

Alexandria, October 29.

Came passenger in the America, arrived at Philadelphia. L. P. B. Orleans, eldest son of the ci-devant Egalite, and distinguished in the French revolution as a lieutenant-general at the battle of Jamappe and the final flight of the celebrated Dumourier.

The America spoke a vessel on the banks of Newfoundland from which he heard of the taking of that place by the French.

NEWFOUNDLAND.—The attack on the Island of St. John's, by a French squadron, is confirmed: with the destruction of the hamlets at Bulls Bay and Placentia. A vessel from thence arrived on the 18th instant at Boston, in three weeks—by her we learn, that the fleet consisted of 10 sail, almost all of the line; but not supposed to have many troops on board—that they had not attempted the town of St. Johns, but continued cruising off the coast. It was however supposed they would make the attack; and would be resisted, as the island could raise nearly 7000 men. A dispatch had been sent to Admiral Murray, who could not send any assistance. Capt. Girdler at sea spoke a brig two days sail to the E. of Newfoundland, and was informed by her, that a fleet of ten sail of the line and two frigates had taken Newfoundland, a 50 gun ship, and two frigates under Admiral Wallace—The brig had dispatches for England. This last is the latest. A Marblehead fishing schooner was spoke, having passengers from Newfoundland on board.

NEW-YORK.—The legislature meets for the choice of Electors of President and Vice President early in November. A letter from Albany says, "Mr. Adams may be sure of 12 votes here."

FOR THE COLUMBIAN MIRROR.

MR. PRICE,

IT has ever been the policy of those who were opposed to the Federal Constitution, to endeavor to render it unpopular, by accusing its friends of an attachment to Monarchy. At its adoption they cried out against its principles as dangerous to freedom, and prophecied a long list of evils, which it was inevitably to produce. Experience has proved the falacy of this prediction, and instead of the promised evils, we have enjoyed under its influence an unparalelled state of prosperity and national happiness. Candor now calls upon them for an acknowledgment of their error, and patriotism for an exertion of their abilities in support of that government which has been productive of so much good to us. But alas! candor and patriotism call in vain, their ears are only open to the dictates of party spirit, and they prostitute their talents in an opposition to the best government in the world, most purely administered. And notwithstanding we must all feel ourselves in the fullest enjoyment of civil and religious freedom, and of every good which is dependent upon government, yet we find these people indefatigable in their exertions to render unpopular the measures of the Federal Government, and open in the avowal of their dislike to the administration of President Washington, the wisdom and virtue of which are resplendently manifested by the prosperity which they have produced to us.—They do not even hesitate to declare, that the primitive republican principles of the constitution have been violated, and that rapid advances have been made towards monarchy, the establishment of which they represent as the first wish and desire of those who have approved of his administration.

If an approbation of the government and its measures are sufficient indications of an attachment to monarchy, then is Gen. Mason's charge against Col. Powell in your paper of the 25th inst. most just, for he has ever expressed a decided approbation of them. Equally just may be the charge which he has brought against him for want of candour, agreeably to the General's ideas of candour, and of the obligations which it imposes—for he may not possibly possess it in so eminent a degree as would induce him, if a member of a legislative body, to divulge what a majority of that body might determine, agreeably to the powers vested in them, for a while to keep secret: Such acts of candour as these are only to be expected from Generals and Sen t rs.

We must however admire the sagacity and penetration of General Mason by which he is enabled to know the sentiments of others better than they do themselves. Colonel Powell has declared himself a friend to our present republican form of government, which he tells us he prefers to all others: but the General in his wisdom has discovered that he is mistaken, and that he is not, as he himself supposes, a friend to republicanism, but a friend to monarchy.

We are told of a temple of Dianna in Greece which was formerly guarded by dogs of such sagacity that when the young women approached it, (which they were obliged to do before marriage) they readily distinguished those who had been guilty of incontinence, and immediately seized and destroyed them—Possibly the General may possess some such canine instinctive faculty which serves him in the discovery of the principles of politicians: If so, his patriotism should direct him to a stand at the door of the Congress Hall (as there is no demand at present for his m.litary talents) where he might become the Centinel of Liberty, and guided by his unerring instinct, discover and exclude those *friends to monarchy*, who have hitherto, too frequently for the success of his principles, gained admittance—It would also be a means of giving publicity to the proceedings of government, as that gentleman's communicative disposition is well known and acknowledged. ORDER.

☞ *The communication from "BRUTUS" will appear in our next.*

FROM EUROPE.

The America, arrived at Philadelphia from Hamburg brought newspapers of that place to the 20th of September—The following articles are amongst the most important of their contents.

UPPER RHINE, SEPT. 6.

The scene of war is shifting back from Franconia to the environs of the Lahn and Lower Rhine. The French are every where retreating after a bloody battle, which took place on the 3d inst. near Wurtzburg, wherein the Imperialists were victorious. Wurtzburgh, the citidal thereof, Schweinfurth, Gelnhausen, &c. are in the hands of the latter. On the 1st inst. a severe engagement took place between the French general Moreau and the Imperial general Neuendorf, in which the Imperialist at last got the better.

WURTZBURGH, SEPT. 3.

The 1st, 2d and 3d inst. were remarkable days for this city. On the 1st inst. half after two P. M. the alarm was given, that the Imperialists were at the gates, and almost on the same instant a detachment of Austrian Chevaux Legers came along the street of the Augustines towards the Mayne bridge. The French, by no means prepared for such a visit, hurried some into the houses, some into the fortress; those who fell into the hands of the Imperialists, were cut to pieces. The Imperialists galloped every where thro' the city, and nothing could withstand their bravery. Towards evening more troops rode into the city, and others encamped round the same. The enemy now commenced a dreadful cannonade from the fort, which lasted from five o'clock in the afternoon of the 3d without any intermission: the terrors of the inhabitants were so much the greater, as they fired into the city, and some people were killed and others wounded. Twenty shot fell on the city-hall only. The garrison of the fort absolutely refused to surrender, though the heavy artillery, fortunately for us, had been removed some days before.

On the 2d towards noon General Grenier arrived with his division from Arnstein, and towards 4 o'clock in the afternoon one of the hottest engagements commenced which lasted till late in the night, but was not decisive. Gen. Jourdan who had been all along in the neighbourhood of Schweinfurth, arrived in the night with his whole army, and towards morning Archduke Charles likewise, with 8000 men, cavalry! With break of day the battle began in the neighborhood of this city, with unexampled obstinacy; long was our fate in suspence; at last at 4 in the afternoon we heard that the Austrians had obtained the victory.

Soon after, General Hotze made his entry into this city and was received with loud acclamations: the dead of the French lay in heaps, 4000 are said to be taken prisoners. The French in their retreat burnt 5 villages: a number of waggons with wounded Austrians arrive here likewise.

Just now the fort was summoned again, but the garrison will not surrender, unless a free passage is granted them, because the French have a great deal of money there.

FRANKFORT SEPT. 8.

Our city is now again occupied by the Imperialists, and the Imperial Gazette now again decorated with the Roman eagle.

It took the Austrians 52 days to retreat from the Rhine to the Danube. In 14 days they have advanced to the same points again.

MECHANICAL RELIEF SOCIETY.

☞ The Members of the above Society are hereby notified, that a stated quarterly meeting will be held on Wednesday evening next, the 3d November, at half past six o'clock, at the house of Wm. M'Knight

J. V. THOMAS, Sec'ry.

October 27.

Red Houle Races.

ON Tuesday the 1st day of November next, will be run for over the Jockey Club course, a Purse of 150 Dollars, free for any Horse, Mare, or Gelding, four mile heats—Aged horses to carry 126 pounds, 6 years old, 119—5 years old, 110—4 years old, 98—and 3 years old a feather.

On Wednesday a Sweepstakes, free as above, by putting in ten guineas each in the purse, two mile heats, weight a feather, the number of horses unlimited, and the winning horse on Tuesday not excepted, if a majority of those who enter for this purse do not object to him. Several have already entered.

And on Thursday, a purse of 30 dollars, two mile heats, weight a feather, the winning horses only excepted. The horses to be entered the day preceding each race, or pay double entrance. The purses shall be at the post, the course in good order, and every exertion made to give satisfaction by

The Public's devoted,
Humble Servant,
JAMES GARDINER.

☞ No Booths of any kind will be allowed, without ten dollars for each being subscribed to the purse.

Red House, Oct. 6.

ALL persons indebted to the Estate of GEORGE ISLER, Cooper, dec'd are hereby requested to make immediate payment. Those who have claims against the said Estate, are also requested to bring them in, legally authenticated for payment, to

MAZY ISLER,
October 25. Administratrix.

PUBLIC SALES.

On SATURDAY at 12 o'clock, Will be sold, laying at Capt. Conway's wharf.

The fast sailing Sloop SHEPHERDESS, With all her sails and rigging complete.—burthen about 68 tons.

MARSTELLER & SONS.

October 29

Wm Hartshorne & Sons,

HAVE FOR SALE,

Loaf and Brown Sugar in barrels,
Pork in do.
Coffee in hhds. and bbls.
Fine and coarse Salt,
32 casks 3d. and 4d. nails,
Bar Iron and Steel.

ALSO,

A few pieces of Bafta Muslin,
A quantity of long and short gloves,
2 trunks of Irish Linen,
And are in daily expectation of
2, 2 bales of Rugs, and 3 bales of twilled five bushel sacks from Baltimore.

October 29

Thirty Dollars Reward.

STOLEN from the subscriber on the 11th instant, A DARK BAY MARE, about 13 hands, 3 inches high, four years old, last spring, neither docked nor branded, her fore feet, and one of her hind feet white, and a star in her forehead, and has been cut for the hooks which may be plainly seen by examination. Any person delivering the said Mare to me shall receive five dollars, and on conviction of the thief the above reward.

JAMES TILLITT.

Fairfax County, October 28 } 3t

Queen's and Glass Ware.

ADAM S. SWOOPE,

THREE Doors above Col. Hooe's, in Prince Street, has just received per the snow Virginia, Capt. M. Butts, and the snow Catharine, Capt. Cazoeau, from Liverpool,

A general assortment of

Queen's and Glass Ware,

Single and double flint, plain, cut ground, and handsomely cyphered with different letters, which will be sold low for cash.

Queen's ware by the crate.

October 27. eotf

For Sale,

AN equal undivided half of two tracts of Land, lying in Stafford County—the first contains upwards of 200 acres, it is situated one mile from Stafford Court-house, about the same distance from Aquia Creek, 10 miles from Fredericksburg, and 15 from Dumfries. On this tract is a good dwelling house, out houses, orchards of different fruit, &c. The other contains upwards of 400 acres, is bounded by Aquia and the Hope creek, and about three miles from Potomac river, nearly 300 acres of this land is woodland. An excellent quarry of Free Stone can be opened about 100 yards from tide water—it is superior to any land on Aquia creek for fish and fowl. It is useless to give a further description, as it is presumed those inclinable to purchase, will first wish to see it. Suffice it to say, that in point of soil, situation, health, and convenience, it is equal, if not superior to any land in Stafford County. For terms apply to Mr. Charles Stern, or the subscriber,

JOHN WALLER.

Stafford County, October 29 } 4wep.

A House to Rent.

I WILL rent for one or more years, that three story Brick House situate on King street, adjoining the store of Hepburn and Dundas, at present occupied by Dr. Gillies, and give possession the 5th day of December next.

Wm. HEPBURN.

Oct. 7. 4wep.

To Let,

A Large and Commodious Store, now occupied by the subscriber, corner of King and Union Street. Possession may be had immediately. For terms apply to Messrs. Joseph Riddle & Co. or to

HUGH SMITH.

October 20.

To the Freeholders of Fairfax County.

ON the first Monday in November next, at the Court-House in the Town of Alexandria, a Poll will be opened to choose a proper person to represent the District, composed of the Counties of Prince William, Stafford, and Fairfax, as an Elector, to vote for a President and Vice-President of the United States.

C. TURNER, Sheriff.

September 28, 1796.

Bank of Alexandria,

JUNE 16, 1796.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Subscription Book is kept open at the Bank for the purpose of receiving subscriptions to the augmented stock, and will continue open until the whole number of shares are filled up. By order of the board.

GURDEN CHAPIN, Cash'r.

N. B. Any Bank Paper from Philadelphia to Alexandria, will be taken for the Money to be paid at the time of subscribing.

JOHN G. LADD,

HAS FOR SALE AT HIS WAREHOUSE IN PRINCE-STREET.

SUGARS and Coffee in Barrels, Malaga Lisbon and Sherry Wines in quarter casks, Continental Rum, Gin and Cordials in barrels, Molasses in hogsheads, a few pipes French Brandy, a few hundred bushels Salt, Castile, brown, white and Windsor Soap in boxes, mould and dipt Candles in do. Chocolate in do. Pimento in bags, Cassia in boxes, Bohea Tea of the best quality in chests, White Lead, Red Lead, and Spanish Brown, Coperas, roll and powdered Sulpher, a few boxes, pipes, and crates of Liverpool ware, Tanners' Oil in barrels, Timothy Grass seed, a quantity of shoes and boots, printing, writing, and wraping paper, &c. &c.

October 20.

John Mandeville

HAS received by sundry ships from Europe, and has now for sale, a great variety of British Manufactures, which he will sell on the most reasonable terms. They chiefly consist of WOOLLENS (suitable to the season) worsted, cotton, and silk hosiery, brown and white British linens; ribbons, silks, gloves, hats, a great variety of printed chintzes, cottons and calicoes, a well chosen assortment of corduroys, thicksetts, Genoa velvets, &c.—Metal buttons, pins, thread and other haberdashery—sadler's ironmongery—Also, a choice parcel of the best finished London scale beams and chains, to weigh 1000lbs. and upwards—As likewise, a few casks of excellent bottled Porter and brown Stout. He also daily expects a further quantity of cloths, flannels, blankets, low priced cassimers, &c.

Any person inclined to purchase the whole stock in trade, will be treated with on good terms and a liberal credit.

Oct. 18. tf.

FOR SALE,

A HOUSE and Lot, on Fairfax street, in fee simple, lying north, and adjoining to Bryan Hampson's, now occupied by John Duffey.—The lot is 93 feet front, and 100 feet deep. The house is a large a story frame, with a back building of brick, with a cellar under the whole. There is also a frame stable on this lot.

One other Lot of Ground on Wolf-street, 80 feet, running back 106 feet 5 inches to a 20 feet alley, on which is erected a back frame building, in which Thomas Irwin now resides. This lot is subject to a ground rent of four pounds per annum. For terms apply to

October 13, JOHN JANNEY.

Six Dollars Reward.

RAN AWAY from the subscriber on Friday the 6th instant, a negro fellow known in the neighbourhood by the name of JOHN WILKES, has but one eye, about 5 feet 5 or 6 inches high, and about 28 or 30 years of age; he has a fondness for the sea, and may probably offer to ship himself, masters of vessels are therefore hereby forewarned from taking him. He took with him 2 white tow osnaburg shirts, 1 pair of cotton, and two pair of osnaburg trousers, an old brown clothcoat and one ditto cassimere coat, and two or three waistcoats. The above reward will be given on his being committed to the workhouse in this town.

Sept. 17. J. B. NICKOLLS.

HUGH SMITH,

HAS received a few setts of elegant NANKEEN TABLE CHINA, and a variety of pieces and patterns of Tea sets, which he is now opening at his store in King-street, next door above Mr. Robert Allison's.

Oct. 23. tf

POMERY & ISABELL,

INFORM the public, that they have received, and are now selling at their store in King street, the undermost articles at wholesale, an elegant and extensive assortment of fashionable gilt plated, and metal Buttons, Manchestry, consisting of velvets, velverets, twill'd and plain corduroys and thicksets, fattinets ribdeleurs, royal ribbs, fustians, &c. A large assortment of Worsted Hosiery, worsted rugs of an excellent quality, and a parcel of well assorted Irish linens. The above will also be sold at retail, together with a general assortment of seasonable Goods, at the most reduced prices, for cash, in which are included, Blankets of a very superior quality, Carpets and Carpeting. The best price given for bees-wax, in cash or goods. The advertisers will rent a stable and coach house, fit for a store-house, adjoining their dwelling. Possession may be had immediately.

October 25. eptf.

Spanish Hides,

BLOWN SALT,
PORK,
TAR,
COFFEE,
ANTIGUA RUM,
ENGLISH CHEESE,
LONDON PORTER in Hampers,
One trunk of IRISH LINENS,
Some elegant CLOCKS,

FOR SALE BY

Fletcher & Otway.

ALSO,

An Elegant Charriot,

Of the best workmanship, made in Paris, with harness complete; and

A Riding Chair.

October 13. t.f.

Just come to hand,

AND NOW OPENING,

FIVE FOURTHS Irish sheeting, Russia do. ¾, ⅞, 4 4 Irish Linens, humhums, and blue Coffea muslins, India bandannas, do. flagg, Pullicat handkerchiefs, Bengal stripes, cloak lattins and modes, lutestrings, taffaries, and Persians, plaid mantua for gentleman's war, French cambricks, cotton do. long lawns, fashionable silk shawls, fancy work'd muslin do. Ladies' long and short silk gloves, do. best French kid do. gentlemen's spun silk do. large assortment of the most fashionable ribbons, lace, and edging, painted, japan'd and tambour'd muslins, &c. &c, cravats, work'd and colour'd borders, Gentlemen and Ladies silk purses, Ladies straw and paist-board hats and bonnets, fully dressed, do. undressed, vellum modes and gauze handkerchiefs *for trimming* Ladies hats and bonnets, black, white and coloured feathers, Ladies necklaces and beeds. Gentlemen's white hats, green bottoms, childrens do. assorted colours. An elegant assortment of Ladies' tambour'd, kid, morocco and Spanish leather slippers and sandals, court and spring heels maids, girls and children do. all of which are London made, and of the newest fashion. Woman's leather shoes and slippers, girls and childrens do. do. stuff do. Gentlemen's Philadelphia made shoes, men's plain and ribbed cotton hose, English and French white, plain and patent silk do. Ladies superfine cotton hose, maids, girls, and children's do. tambouring needles and cases, and tambouring silks. Coventry blue threads in grain, marking silks, &c. &c. &c.

ALSO,

A few chests of the best Hyson Skin, Souchong, Hyson Gomee, Young Hyson TEAS. Fresh nutmegs and mace, Leiper's Snuff in bbls. containing 9 dozen each, in pound and half pound bottles. Rappee do. in kegs and ½ lb. bottles.

The whole of which will be sold very low for cash.

JOHN DARBY & Co

August 13.

To be Sold,

A Mulatto Joiner and Carpenter, who understands his business. For terms, please to enquire of

BENJAMIN DULANY.

Clermont, Oct. 15. tf.

FOR SALE,

THE Land whereon the subscriber now lives, containing from 700 to 750 acres. It is a high and healthy situation, lies on the road leading from Alexandria to Colcheller, twelve miles from the former, four from the latter, and four from the Occoquan Mills, is within a mile of tide water—has a good Mill Seat—a large and valuable improved meadow, with a sufficient quantity of other good meadow lands—valuable orchards of apple and peach trees, not less than three hundred of each, all bearing, the greater part of the apple tree were planted about fifteen years past—has a variety of cherry trees, pear trees, &c. One hundred and twelve bushels of wheat has been sown on the land in proper season. On this land are convenient dwelling houses and out houses, also, a framed barn 40 feet by 20, a grainery 20 foot square, ceiled and plank floor, hay-house, and stablage for 15 horses, a well of excellent water, securely walled in, an extensive garden and yard pailed in, (the garden highly manured.) The whole land is well fenced in and divided into five convenient fields, and several grass lots. An unexpected reverse of fortune renders the sale of this property indispensible.—Possession to be given at Christmas.

Also, on Wednesday the 16th of November, if fair, otherwise the next fair day, will be sold at public sale, on six months credit, all the subscriber's Property, consisting of negroes, horses, cattle, sheep, and hogs, a valuable stud horse that is quiet and gentle, and is a most excellent draft horse, three or four yoke of oxen, an ox waggon, two horse carts, a parcel of well made tight casks, all new, farming and plantation utensils—The purchasers to give bond with approved security—the bonds to carry interest from the day of sale, if not punctually paid. All sums under five pounds to be paid down. 6 per cent will be allowed for prompt payments.

JOHN FOWLER,

Carne & Slade

Have just received from Philadelphia a general assortment of

Bar Iron, Share Moulds,

Blistered Steel, and Waggon Boxes, which they offer for sale at their store in Fairfax-street, adjoining Ricketts and Newton's new Buildings.—They fully intend keeping a constant supply, and paying due attention to those who may be pleased to favour them with their commands, in order that they may meet with no disappointment, for they shall be regular in their Spring and Fall importations of Crawley Steel, Anvils, Vices, Files, Rasps, Sheet Iron, Sledges, and Hammers, with nearly every other article which a Blacksmith wants, they flatter themselves no person will be able to give more general satisfaction.

N. B. By the very first vessels from Liverpool and Bristol they expect a very general assortment of Ironmongery, Cutlery, and Earthen Ware.

Sept. 3. eptf

Valuable Property

FOR SALE.

THE Subscriber will sell a Lease of between 4 and 5 years of the House he now occupies, together with a large stable for 12 horses, &c.

To a person who has frequented the house it would be unnecessary to say that the character of the UNION TAVERN is well established—that in every point of view it stands on nearly equal grounds with the best in regard to nautical custom its situation is highly preferable to any in Alexandria.

Presuming a purchaser would intend pursuing the avocation he now follows, he can accommodate him with every article of Household and Kitchen Furniture, necessary to a well regulated house and extensive custom.

Possession may be had on the first of December. The terms of payment will be made easy. JOHN GADSBY.

Oct. 18. ep.

To Rent,

THE house and store where I now live. Inquire in King street, 3 doors above Mr. Jesse Taylor's.

C. DOUGLASS.

Oct. 24. tf.

WANTED,

AN EXPERIENCED CLERK of a good character

MANDEVILLE & JAMESSON.

October 22.

WASHINGTON CANAL LOTTERY, NO. I.

WHEREAS the State of Maryland has authorized us the underwritten to raise twenty-six thousand two hundred and fifty dollars, for the purpose of cutting a canal through the City of Washington, from the Potomac to the Eastern Branch harbour. The following is the scheme of No. I.—viz.

PRIZES.		DOLLS.		DOLLS.
1	of	20,000	is	20,000
1	—	10,000	—	10,000
7 last drawn tickets each		5,000	are	35,000
6	of	1,000	—	6,000
10	—	400	—	4,000
20	—	100	—	2,000
55	—	50	—	2,750
5,750	—	12	—	69,000
To be raised for the canal				26,250
5,850 PRIZES,				175,000
11,640 BLANKS, not 2 to a prize.				
7,500 Tickets, at 10 Dollars,				175,000

☞ The COMMISSIONERS have taken the Securities required by the aforesaid act for the punctual payment of the prizes.

The Drawing of this Lottery will commence without delay, as soon as the tickets are sold, of which timely notice will be given.

Such prizes as are not demanded in six months after the drawing is finished, shall be considered as relinquished for the benefit of the canal, and appropriated accordingly.

(Signed)
NOTLEY YOUNG.
DANIEL CARROLL, of D.
LEWIS DEBLOIS.
GEORGE WALKER.
Wm. M. DUNCANON.
THOMAS LAW.
JAMES BARRY.

☞ Tickets in the above Lottery may be had of Mr. Guy Atkinson, Fairfax street, Alexandria.

City of Washington, April 29.

JOHN EMERY,

PLUMBER AND SHOT MANUFACTURER,

NOW wishes to inform the Citizens of Alexandria and its vicinity that he hath rented a shop at the head of Fairfax Street; where he intends to carry on the above business in all its various branches—such as sheet lead, either cast or milled, from four pounds the square foot to fourteen; Wall Pipes, for conveying water from the roof of the house, with ornamented heads, which come cheap and are durable; water pipes of any bore for conveying of water to any distance; lead pumps put down any depth, which will come cheaper than wood considering its durability, and is sweeter and colder, and the subscriber will engage to keep it in repair for one dollars per year. Likewise lath leads for windows, and shot of all sizes from Bristol B. down to mustard seed. Ship Plumbing, viz. hawser hole leads and scuppers, pumps. &c.

Those gentlemen that wish to encourage this useful branch in this town may depend that the greatest punctuality will be paid to their orders. Every part of the business will be executed with dispatch, on the shortest notice, on the most reasonable terms and in the neatest manner, by their humble servant, JOHN EMERY.

August 11.

ALL those who have any accounts against RICHARD ARELL, dec'd. are once more requested to bring them forward legally attested for settlement, or they will be deemed as paid, if not brought in to the subscribers on or before the last day of October next. Also, those who are indebted will please to make immediate payment, or there will be suits brought against all that stand indebted on the books of said R. Arell.

P. C. MARSTELLER. } Adm'rs
GEORGE JENKINS, }

Sept. 17.

FOR SALE,

25 Puncheons 4th proof ANTIGUA RUM, and a quantity of LIVERPOOL SALT.

KEMP HURST & CO.

October 27. eptf

Oliver Price will, on reasonable terms, board six or eight creditable persons

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